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MEMORANDUM

Re Letters of Standing in Special Subjects

From time to time requests for certification in Ontario are received from teachers who have had extensive teacher education elsewhere in one of the special subjects but have not had basic teacher education in all subjects.

In order that School Boards may avail themselves of the services of these teachers, the Minister has decided to issue a Letter of Standing (Renewable) which may be exchanged in due course for a Permanent Letter of Standing, in each of several special subjects.

Accordingly, where a teacher from outside Ontario meets all of the requirements for a regular Letter of Standing except that of basic teacher education in all subjects and submits evidence of extensive teacher education in Art, Auxiliary Education, Commercial Work, Home Economics, Industrial Arts, Music, or Physical and Health Education, consideration will be given to the issuing of a Letter of Standing (Renewable) on the appropriate level (that is, Elementary, Intermediate, Supervisor's, Specialist's, valid in elementary schools, valid in secondary schools, as the case may be).

The Letter of Standing (Renewable) differs from the regular Letter of Standing in that, upon the recommendation of the inspector concerned, it may be renewed from year to year. Upon the completion of three years of successful teaching experience in Ontario, certified by the inspector concerned, the teacher may be granted a Permanent Letter of Standing in the subject concerned.

Any teacher who feels that he may be eligible to receive a Letter of Standing (Renewable) should be advised to communicate directly with the Deputy Minister, Department of Education, Parliament Buildings, Toronto 2, Ontario.

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TORONTO, NOVEMBER 29, 1957

Deputy Minister.